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**FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT  
COOK INLET PARALLEL PACIFIC COD JIG SEASON CLOSES  
STATE-WATERS JIG SEASON OPENS  
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The Cook Inlet parallel Pacific cod season will **close to vessels fishing jig gear effective 12:00 noon June 29 and the state-waters Pacific cod jig season will immediately reopen at 12:00 noon June 29**. The parallel season closure coincides with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) closure of the Pacific cod jig gear sector in the federal Central Gulf of Alaska area. Fishermen are reminded that there is a 24-hour delivery time requirement following closure of a groundfish fishery. Pacific cod taken during the parallel season must be landed prior to participating in the state-waters season.

Approximately 485,000 pounds remain of the 2012 Cook Inlet state-waters Pacific cod jig allocation. The state-waters jig season will remain open until the jig allocation is achieved or December 31, unless closed by subsequent emergency order.

Area registration in the state-waters Pacific cod fishery is exclusive and vessel registrations may be obtained from department offices in Homer, Cordova, and Kodiak or by prior arrangement from the Department of Public Safety in Seward. A vessel may not participate in a state-waters Pacific cod season and any other Pacific cod season at the same time.

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